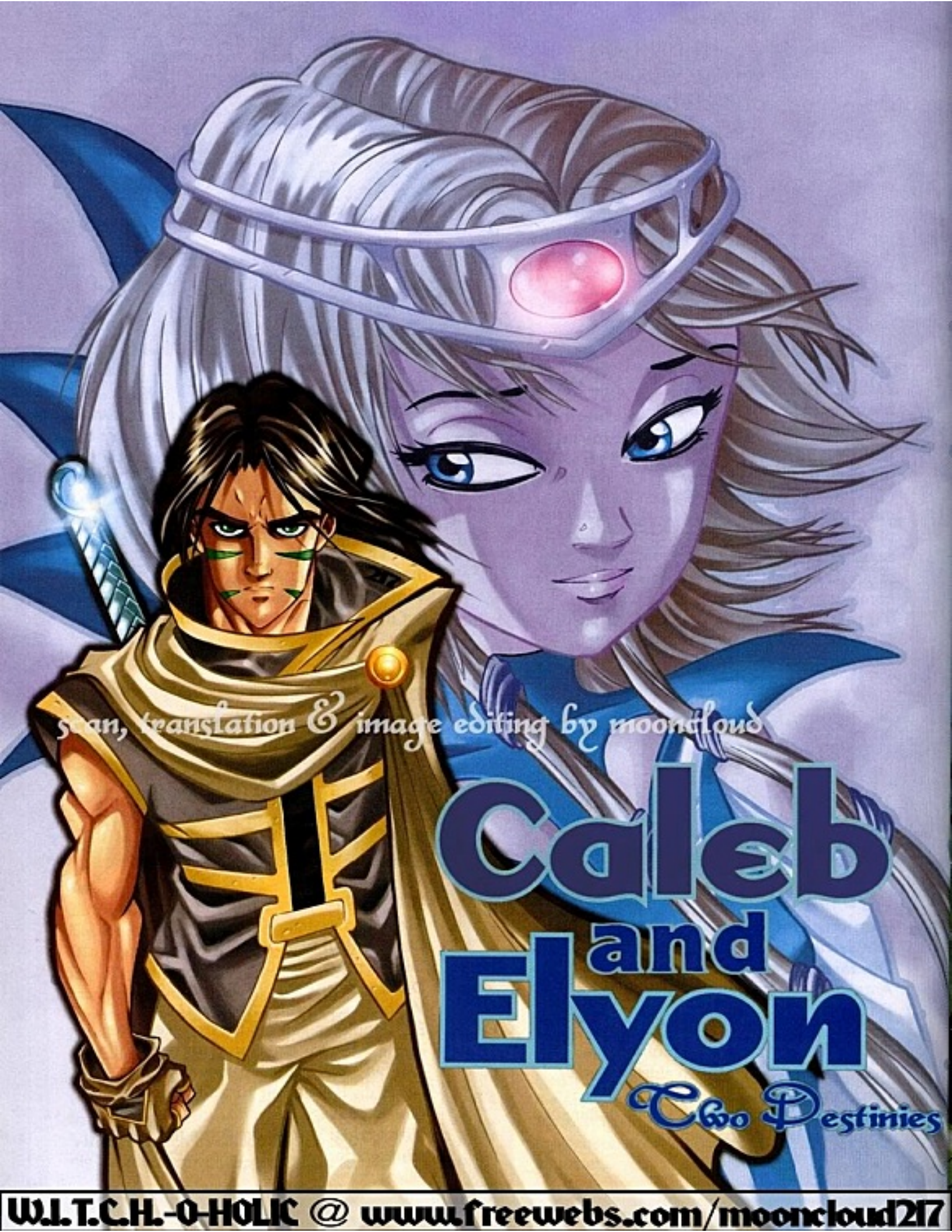




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# Caleb and Elyon

Two Destinies



Meridian. A dark shadow is enclosing over Shir Valley.

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AAAH!

For thousands of years, the same scenario has repeated itself every twenty years.

A dark evil devours the valley.





First day.

IT SHOWED  
UP THIS  
MORNING.

SO, THE  
BLACK CLOUD HAS  
ARRIVED AGAIN.  
HUH?

HOW DID  
YOU KNOW?

I CAN  
NO LONGER  
SEE IT, BUT I CAN  
SENSE ITS EVIL  
POWER.

"THE PEOPLE HIDE AND  
THE ANIMALS ARE RESTLESS."

WOOWLL

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I'M SCARED,  
GRANDMA!

IN THREE  
DAYS, THAT  
CLOUD WILL  
DISAPPEAR,  
JUST LIKE IT  
ALWAYS  
HAS...

... AND  
EVERYTHING WILL  
GO BACK TO NORMAL.  
BUT FOR THREE DAYS,  
HORROR WILL RULE AUTO-  
CRATICALLY HERE IN  
MERIDIAN.



First day.  
In front of the cloud.

I CAN'T  
TAKE IT ANY LONGER!  
STANDING GUARD HERE  
MAKES YOU FILLED WITH  
ANGUISH.

TWO  
MORE DAYS,  
THEN IT'S  
OVER.

IF THERE  
AT LEAST WAS SOMEONE  
TO KEEP US COMPANY!

SSSCHH  
...

RUSTLE  
RUSTLE!!!

OVER  
THERE!

HALT!

UM... IT WAS  
A MISTAKE!

WALI...



THE QUEEN HAS GIVEN ORDERS  
TO NOT LET ANYONE GET CLOSE  
TO THIS AREA! NOW LEAVE,  
YOU TATTERDEMATION!

I'M SORRY ...

... BUT I  
HAPPENED TO TAKE THE  
WRONG PATH!

THREETIMES  
IN A ROW?

TLIC

IF I SEE  
YOUR FACE HERE  
AGAIN ...

GO BACK  
TO THE ROAD-  
BLOCK, CAPTAIN!  
I'LL ACCOMPANY  
OUR GUEST TO  
THE RIVER!

CALEB, YOU SHOULD  
STOP HANGING OUT WITH  
THAT RABBLE ...

AND YOU  
SHOULD GIVE  
BACK WHAT YOU  
JUST TOOK!

THAT'S CHEATING!  
YOU KNOW ALL OF MY  
SECRET MOVES!

WELL?



Second day,  
at the castle...

YOU'RE WRONG,  
ELYON! CALEB IS NOT  
SUITABLE TO GUARD OVER  
THE CLOUD!

I REPEAT  
THAT I HAVE  
MADE THE RIGHT  
DECISION!

THERE IS NO ONE IN  
ALL OF MERIDIAN WHO  
I PUT MY TRUST IN  
MORE!

YOU ARE  
THE QUEEN, YOU HAVE  
TO ACT WISELY...

...WITHOUT  
LETTING YOUR FEELINGS  
INFLUENCE YOU!

WHAT  
DO YOU MEAN,  
FATHER?

WHEN  
WE LIVED IN  
HEATHERFIELD,  
CALEB WAS HERE  
AND LED THE REVOLT  
AGAINST MY BROTHER,  
PHOBOS, WHO  
SEIZED THE  
THRONE!

HE DEFENDED  
THE PEOPLE...

HE PREVENTED  
THE RUIN OF  
MERIDIAN! MAYBE  
YOU FORGOT  
ABOUT THAT?



BESIDES,  
HE KNOWS SHIR  
VALLEY VERY WELL!

BUT HE'S  
NOT PART OF THE  
ROYAL GUARDS!  
AND BY THE WAY,  
YOU OFFERED HIM  
TO LEAD THEM, BUT  
HE SAID NO!

BUT HE AGREED  
ON LEADING THEM TO  
THE CLOUD ...

ONE DAY  
I'LL DISCOVER  
WHICH ONE HAS  
THE MOST PER-  
SISTENCY!

OHHH ...

ELYON!

WHAT'S  
THE MATTER,  
HONEY?

I CAN FEEL  
THE PRESENCE OF  
SOMETHING EVIL WHICH  
IS BECOMING STRONGER  
AND STRONGER  
...

HONEY,  
YOUR POWER,  
THE LIGHT OF  
MERIDIAN, IS  
CLOSELY CONNECTED  
TO WHAT'S  
HAPPENING!

THE BLACK  
CLOUD IS EXERCISING HIS  
EVIL EFFECT ON YOU MORE  
THAN ON ANYONE!

BUT TOMORROW  
IT'LL DISAPPEAR AND  
YOU'LL BE YOURSELF  
AGAIN.



The sun goes down  
over the third day.

IT HASN'T  
DISAPPEARED, HAS  
IT? WHY DIDN'T IT  
DISAPPEAR YET?

IT SEEMS  
LIKE IT'S GETTING  
EVEN ... EVEN ...

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... EVEN  
BIGGER AND  
MORE EVIL!

WHAT'S THAT?  
IT LOOKS LIKE  
A SYMBOL ...

I HAVE NO  
IDEA! I DON'T THINK  
I RECOGNIZE  
IT ...

BUT I DO  
RECOGNIZE THE  
COLOR OF  
THE LIGHT OF  
MERIDIAN.



Meanwhile, under  
the same sky ...

WHO'S THERE?  
WHO'S SPYING  
ON ME?

COME OUT,  
WHOEVER YOU ARE!  
DARE SHOWING  
Y...

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AAAAH!

KSHHHH

A flash in the sky and a sudden  
beam takes Elyon's light away!



A dawn filled with anxiety, heralds a new day in Meridian.

THE CLOUD HAS CHANGED SINCE THAT SYMBOL SHOWED UP!

YEAH, AND IT DOESN'T GIVE NOTICE OF BEING ANYTHING GOOD!

I DON'T UNDERSTAND WHAT'S HAPPENING!

SOMEONE MUST HAVE OPPOSED THE CLOUD, AND NOW IT'S RESIDENT'S TAKING OUT ITS REVENGE ON ELYON.

"AND I THINK I KNOW WHO'S GUILTY..."

IT'S THE SAME SYMBOL WHICH SHOWED UP IN THE CLOUD!

OH, CALEB! HE GAVE ME THIS SCAR WHEN HE ABSORBED MY POWERS, MY LIFE ESSENCE ...

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I DON'T HAVE MUCH LEFT OF IT, AND NOW ... I FEEL LIKE I'M GONNA FAINT ...

I'M HERE WITH YOU NOW! DON'T WORRY!









And thus, Elyon and Blue Destiny become one.

**CLANG**









YOUR TASK  
WAS TO PREVENT  
ANYONE FROM  
APPROACHING THE  
CLOUD! BUT YOU  
HAVE FAILED!

NO ONE  
HAS PASSED!  
ELYON TOLD  
ME...



NO EXCUSES!  
YOU ARE HERE BY  
LIBERATED FROM ALL  
MISSIONS!



DROP THAT  
WEAPON!



I WILL NOT USE IT  
AGAINST YOU!

STOP!

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GUARDS!



STOP  
HIM! AT ALL  
COSTS!



On the run.

HE WAS HERE!  
I KNOW IT!

THEN  
FIND HIM!

I DON'T LIKE  
CHASING CALEB!

SNOCH!

AND ORDERS  
ONLY!

YOU WILL  
FOLLOW  
ORDERS!

YES, SIR!

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SEARCH ALL  
RESIDENTS!

IT'S YOU THEY'RE  
LOOKING FOR,  
ISN'T IT?





OPEN UP!

TONG  
TONG  
TONG







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Inside of  
the cloud ...









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An omen of pain  
is floating through  
the castle halls.

... AND SINCE  
THEN SHE HASN'T  
RECOVERED.

WE'LL DO  
EVERYTHING  
WE CAN.

ELYON,  
CAN YOU  
HEAR US?

IT'S  
AS IF SHE  
WASN'T  
HERE  
...

BUT SHE IS!  
I HEAR HER  
THOUGHTS  
...

... AND THEY'RE FOR  
YOU, CORNELIA!

KREEEK





TO BE CONTINUED IN PART 2 ....





Inside of the cloud,  
Blue Destiny vibrates  
and radiates an un-  
controllable light ...





YOU WILL NOT  
LOOK AT ANYTHING,  
NOT TOUCH ANYTHING AND  
NOT TAKE ANYTHING!

OKAY, OKAY!  
DON'T GET ALL  
EXCITED!

DON'T TAKE  
A SINGLE STEP BEFORE  
TALKING TO ME FIRST,  
UNDERSTOOD?

IF YOU WANT,  
YOU'RE WELCOME  
TO LEAVE!

BUT I  
DON'T WANT  
THAT! I CAN  
HELP YOU!

While the  
statues wake  
from their long  
slumber...

FINE, AS  
YOU WISH. LET'S  
LOOK THROUGH  
THAT HUT!



WHY ARE WE  
HERE, CALEB?

WHAT ARE  
YOU FIGHTING FOR  
THIS TIME?

DO YOU  
THINK THIS IS  
A GOOD TIME FOR  
EXPLANATIONS?  
NOW, HELP  
ME ...

THERE'S  
NO ONE HERE, AND  
YOU KNOW IT!

I'M NOT  
EXPECTING  
TO FIND  
ANYONE  
...

... BUT SOMETHING.  
SOMETHING TO HELP ME  
UNDERSTAND.

WHY ARE WE  
WAKING UP?

THIS WASN'T  
SUPPOSED TO  
HAPPEN NOW!



COME ON, CALEB! WHY WON'T YOU TELL ME WHY WE'RE HERE?

SHE'S DYING, WALI ...

...THE ONE RESPONSIBLE IS AN EVIL POWER WHO'S HIDING IN HERE. I HAVE TO FIND IT AND DESTROY IT BEFORE IT'S TOO LATE ...

YEAH, EXACTLY!

OUR WORLD DEPENDS ON HER LIGHT!

AND NOT JUST ON THAT, I BELIEVE!

"BEFORE I LEFT, SHE GAVE ME A SWORD CONTAINING ALL OF HER REMAINING POWERS."

DO YOU UNDERSTAND NOW? I CANNOT FAIL!

HMM ... I SHOULD HAVE STAYED IN BED THIS MORNING!



BUT SINCE  
I'M HERE, I WILL  
HELP YOU!

I'M TELLING  
YOU, GET RID OF THE  
TRESPASSERS!

NO!  
IF THE  
BEAM FROM  
THAT WEAPON  
HADN'T HIT US,  
WE'D STILL BE  
PARALYZED.

WE WAIT  
BEFORE ACTING!

LET'S  
ATTACK  
FIRST.  
THINKING  
CAN BE SAVED  
FOR LATER!



I SAID NO!

GRRRR...

BEFORE WE DO  
ANYTHING AT ALL, WE FIRST  
HAVE TO UNDERSTAND  
WHAT'S GOING ON.

YOU CAN'T TREAT  
ME LIKE THIS...  
I'LL ACT WITHOUT  
YOUR SUPPORT...



UNFORTUNATELY,  
I DON'T UNDERSTAND  
ANY OF THESE  
WRITINGS!

... WHICH MEANS  
WE CAN LEAVE!

SSCH  
... BE  
QUIET!

OUCH!



CALEB, HELP!

DON'T  
MOVE!

GIVE ME  
YOUR WEAPON!

PLEASE,  
DO AS HE  
SAYS!

BELIEVE ME,  
FOR YOUR OWN  
GOOD, YOU SHOULD  
LISTEN TO YOUR  
FRIEND!

AND DON'T  
EXPECT ANY PITY  
FROM ME!

CALEB...







THE CAPTURED  
SHADOWS ARE US!  
MOST OF THE TIME WE ARE  
LIFELESS, LIKE STONE  
...



IT'S BECAUSE THE GUARD  
USES OUR ENERGY TO MAKE  
THIS PRISON EXIST.



OW!  
TAKE IT  
EASY!

WHEN IT'S  
TIME FOR THE  
AWAKENING,  
HE GIVES US OUR  
SHAPE BACK!

NOT UNTIL THEN,  
WE CAN EAT AND LONG  
FOR LIFE OR REGRET  
OUR CRIMES!



AND WHAT KIND  
OF CRIMES WOULD  
THAT BE?

NO ONE  
REMEMBERS  
THEM ANY-  
MORE.



BUT THAT  
DOESN'T  
MATTER,  
I THINK.



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... AND WHEN IT REACHES THE LAST WORLD ...

... IT JUST STARTS OVER.

NO PLACE CAN WITHSTAND THE PAIN THAT FOLLOWS US FOR VERY LONG.

BUT NOW YOU'VE STOPPED IN MERIDIAN.

ONLY THE GUARD KNOWS WHY. HE MUST'VE FOUND A SOURCE OF ENERGY, STRONG ENOUGH TO KEEP US HERE.

WILL YOU GO TO THE PALACE AND TALK TO THE GUARD?

WILL YOU TRY AND STOP ME?







The guard's palace  
in the cloud.

"...WITH THIS  
SWORD I'LL BE  
WITH YOU!"

ELYON!

DO NOT  
TOUCH HER  
SHADOW  
...



Against evil,  
...

... can  
courage ...

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... hope ...

**STUMP**







THE ROYAL  
CASTLE IN  
MERIDIAN ...

NOOO!

WHAT'S  
GOING ON?



HER BODY IS  
FADING!

I CAN NO  
LONGER HEAR  
HER THOUGHTS!

WHAT ARE WE  
GOING TO DO?

LET'S  
UNITE OUR  
POWERS  
TO PROTECT  
HER!

I'LL GO GET  
CORNELIA!

I DON'T WANT  
TO FEEL THIS WAY!  
MY FEELINGS FOR  
CALEB ARE  
GONE!

I WON'T  
BE JEALOUS OVER  
SOMETHING WHICH IS  
JUST A MEMORY  
...





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TO BE CONTINUED  
IN PART 3...



The Guard's palace.

DONT  
MOVE!

YOU HAVE  
BEATEN ME ...

... BUT  
I HAVE  
WON!

WHAT THE  
...

SO IT IS  
WRITTEN.

WHOEVER  
BEATS THE GUARD  
IN AN HONEST  
FIGHT ...

... BECOMES  
GUARD IN ITS  
TURN AND LOSES  
HIMSELF.

NOO ...

YOU ARE  
NO LONGER  
CALEB ...

... YOU  
ARE NOW  
THE NEW  
GUARD  
...

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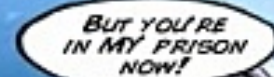
YOU DON'T THINK WE'RE GONNA LET YOU GO AFTER WHAT YOU DID?



THAT GIVES A MUCH GREATER POWER THAN THE GUARD!

DO YOU THINK YOU CAN SCARE SOMEONE WHO'S NO LONGER GOT ANYTHING TO LOSE?







SO NOW  
YOU'RE OUR  
NEW GUARD?

WELL, I THINK  
IT'S GOOD NEWS!

CALEB?

CALEB!

STOP!

IT'S THE  
POWER IN  
THAT LANCE  
WHICH KEEPS  
US STUCK  
IN YOUR  
WORLD!

IF YOU  
DESTROY IT, WE'LL START  
OUR ENDLESS JOURNEY, AND  
YOU'LL REMAIN IN THE  
TRAP WITH US.

I KNOW.

WHAT?

I DON'T WANT  
TO STAY HERE!



THAT'S  
RIGHT WALI, YOU  
WON'T STAY!

BUT  
CAN'T WE  
FIND A  
WAY TO  
...

By destroying the guard's  
lance, Caleb frees the  
light of Meridian ...

CRASH

... and Blue  
Destiny absorbs it.

OH, NOT BAD,  
THIS LIGHT!

IT HAS  
A STRANGE  
HEAT!

WALI,  
TAKE IT TO  
ELYON RIGHT  
AWAY!





AND  
TELL HER  
...

... WHAT  
YOU SHOULD  
TELL HER.

Finally, the cloud  
leaves Meridian ...

YOU'RE  
SO STUBBORN,  
CALEB!

YOU'RE  
A REALLY  
LOUSY  
FRIEND!



... just to show up  
in another world.

"YOU CAN SEE  
THE OUTSIDE WORLD  
IN YOUR THOUGHTS..."

"... BUT YOU WILL  
BE A PRISONER IN THIS PLACE,  
JUST LIKE EVERYONE ELSE."

GUARD!

USE HIS  
NAME, YOU  
IDIOT!

WE WOULD LIKE TO ASK  
YOU A FAVOR, CALEB!

WHAT WOULD  
THAT BE?

WE WANT  
A NEW LIFE!

WE DONT  
WANT TO  
BECOME  
PARALYZED  
AGAIN!





WHY DO YOU EXPECT  
ME TO GIVE YOU WHAT  
YOU NEVER HAD?

SHADIGA  
SAYS YOU'RE  
DIFFERENT  
...

"YES, IT'S TRUE:  
I WAS CREATED BY  
A TYRANT TO BE HIS  
EYES AND EARS."

"I WENT  
AGAINST HIS  
WILL..."

"... AND FOUGHT  
AGAINST HIM."



NOW I'M A GUARD  
IN AN ENDLESS PRISON AND  
HAVE TO FOLLOW DECISIONS THAT  
ARE TAKEN BY SOMEONE WHO  
I DON'T EVEN KNOW  
WHO IT IS.

BUT  
EVERYTHING'S  
BECOME LIKE IT  
WAS FROM THE  
BEGINNING. MY  
CRUEL FATE  
IS TO BE  
A SLAVE!





At the castle in Meridian.  
Rescue and pain ...

WHAT'S  
THE POINT?

WHAT'S THE POINT  
OF FINDING OUT THIS NOW?  
WHAT'S THE POINT OF YOU  
SAVING ME NOW IF GALEB'S  
NOT HERE?

HE DID IT FOR  
YOU, ELYON!

DON'T LOSE YOUR  
COURAGE, ELYON!

CORNELIA,  
I'M SO  
SORRY!

PLEASE, DON'T  
HATE ME!

WHY  
WOULD I?  
GALEB AND I  
BROKE UP A  
LONG TIME  
AGO!

WHEN  
I FIRST  
FOUND OUT,  
I WAS HURT, BUT  
THEN, WHEN YOU  
WERE GETTING  
WORSE, I FELT  
LIKE A MONSTER  
FOR FEELING  
THAT WAY!

I'VE GOT  
SOMEONE ELSE  
WAITING FOR ME  
IN HEATHER  
FIELD!

I HOPE  
THAT WHAT  
I'M ABOUT TO  
TELL YOU NOW  
CAN HELP  
YOU, MY  
QUEEN!







"YOU KEPT HER ALIVE  
UNTIL BLUE DESTINY CAME  
AND GAVE HER POWER AND  
STRENGTH BACK."



K  
W  
I  
I  
N



IF YOU HAD HELPED  
CALEB INSTEAD OF TRYING  
TO STOP HIM, HE'D  
STILL BE HERE!

I WANTED TO  
PROTECT  
YOU, BUT  
I WAS  
WRONG!

I'M NOT READY  
TO FORGIVE ...

FORGIVE ME,  
ELYON!



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... NOT YET!





Silence  
and  
waiting  
...

WELL, WILL YOU  
GIVE US WHAT WE  
ASKED YOU FOR?

YOU OWE US  
AN ANSWER.

No.

I TOLD YOU!  
WE SHOULD HAVE  
DESTROYED HIM RIGHT  
AWAY. HE'S JUST LIKE  
THE OTHERS!

NO. IT'S  
WORSE THAN  
THAT.

THE GUARD HAS  
ALREADY TAKEN OVER  
THE MAN'S PLACE.

WHY?

I DO NOT KNOW  
WHY YOU HAVE ENDED  
UP IN THIS PRISON  
...



...  
BUT AS  
FAR AS I'M  
CONCERNED,  
YOU'VE ALREADY  
PAID ENOUGH.  
I COMMAND  
...

...THE  
VALLEY OF  
SHADOWS  
TO CEASE TO  
EXIST!

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BRRRRRR

QUICKLY!  
GET AWAY FROM  
THE PALACE!

KRRR

KA-BOOM



And while the  
cloud explodes ...



... all fright that came  
with it, disappears!



CALEB!

ARE YOU  
OKAY?







Free.







WHAT A  
WONDERFUL  
PLACE!

WATER!  
FRESH WATER!



THE  
GUARD WAS  
A PART OF THE  
WORLD YOU  
DESTROYED.  
HOW DID YOU  
KNOW THAT  
YOU WOULD  
SURVIVE?



I DIDN'T.  
I WAS JUST  
HOPING!



SO WHAT NOW?

THIS WORLD  
IS UNINHABITED.  
YOU CAN MAKE IT  
YOUR OWN.



AND YOU?

I'M HERE,  
RIGHT? I'M  
STAYING.



YOUR ELYON  
IS SAVED. WE'RE FREE  
AND HAVE A NEW LIFE.  
WHY DID YOU DO  
ALL THIS?

BECAUSE  
OF WHAT YOU  
JUST SAID.

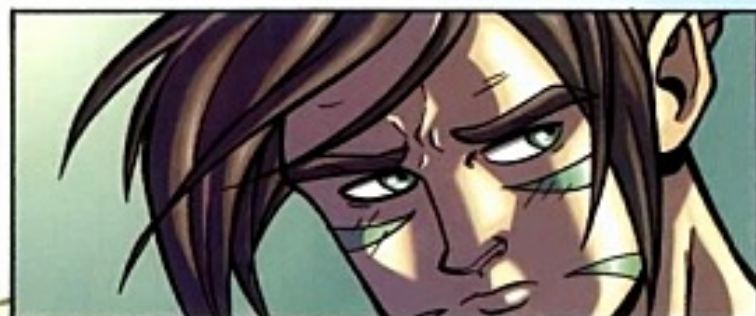


DON'T YOU  
THINK THAT'S  
ENOUGH?

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I MEAN ...  
WHAT DID  
YOU GAIN  
FROM IT?



THE POSSIBILITY TO  
BE THE PERSON  
I'VE CHOSEN  
TO BE!



TAKE THIS!  
WITH IT, YOU CAN TRAVEL  
BETWEEN WORLDS. I DON'T  
NEED IT ANYMORE.



RETURN HOME,  
DREAMER!



BUT ...  
AT LEAST TELL ME  
YOUR NAME!

SHADIGA.





Back in Meridian ...

LOOK, IRMA!  
DOWN THERE!

BUT ...  
WHAT IS IT?

I CAN'T  
BELIEVE IT!

YOU JUST  
CAN'T ADMIT  
DEFEAT!

I CAN'T DO  
THIS ...

ELYON! GIRLS!  
IT'S AMAZING!

HAI LIN!  
WHAT'S THE  
MATTER?

HE'S DOWN THERE,  
IN THE GARDEN!

YOU'RE NOT VERY  
GOOD AT EXPLAINING  
...

WHAT ARE YOU  
TALKING ABOUT?

WHAT?  
DON'T YOU  
GET IT?





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I THINK  
I OWE THAT GUY  
AN APOLOGY!

YES...  
IT'S ABOUT  
OUR DAUGHTER'S  
LIFE AND HER  
HAPPINESS!

WHY HAVEN'T  
YOU TOLD ME  
EARLIER?

BECAUSE  
OF YOUR  
FRIENDSHIP  
WITH  
CORNELIA  
...

... AND BECAUSE  
YOU'RE THE LIGHT OF  
MERIDIAN. YOU'RE  
THE QUEEN!

I AM TO  
THE OTHERS,  
BUT NOT FOR  
YOU, AND YOU  
KNOW THAT  
...

...  
FOR YOU  
I AM, AND  
WILL ALWAYS  
BE. JUST  
ELYON.

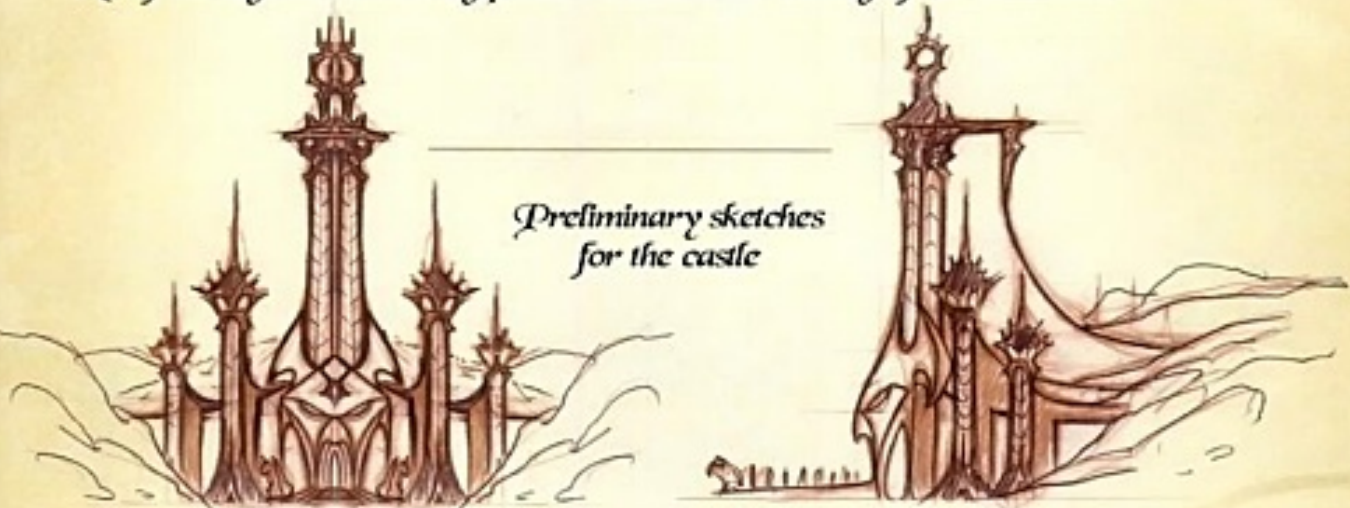
The End.



# Behind the scenes

Now you'll get to know everything! On these pages you'll take part of the material that has been used to give life to this story. You'll see sketches, drawings and samples of how to draw the characters. All of this together with a big passion is behind the making of this adventure.

Preliminary sketches  
for the castle



Somewhere in an endless universe with several parallel worlds, the Secret Architects have created the Valley of Shadows. What was their purposes? How many other forgotten realities did they create? We asked the creators of this adventure to tell and anecdote exciting things about it.



Samples of colors and atmospheres



Study of the faceAnatomical positionsFinal outfit

**Gianluca: (artist):**  
 "I've always liked Caleb.  
 I wanted him to express what  
 he still hasn't been able to say  
 in the W.I.T.C.H. comic."

*Caleb*

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# Minor characters

**Paola: (scriptwriter):** "The funniest but also the hardest part is to succeed in producing real people in the characters which are not leading characters. I like to think of them as people in yet unwritten stories. Shadiga, Wali and even the guard could have a lot to tell if they wanted to."

## The Guard



**Gianluca: (artist):**

"The guard is a person who was fun to draw, because when I draw the evil guys it feels like I can make up things freely."



## The Guard's weapon



## The Guard's bracelet



## Caleb as a guard



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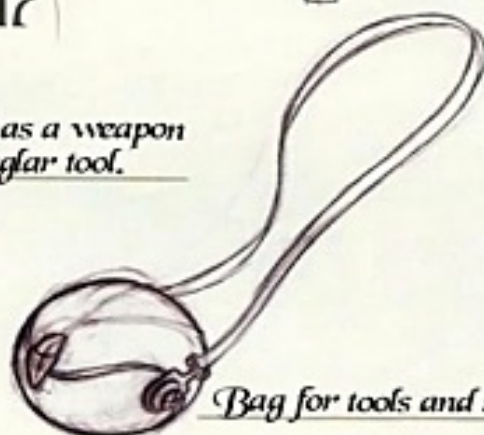
## Wali



**Gianluca (artist):**  
"Giving life to Wali  
wasn't easy! I had  
to mix a strong  
personality with  
sharp irony."



*Knife used as a weapon  
and burglar tool.*



*Bag for tools and stolen goods.*



## Shadiga

**Gianluca:** "I wanted to draw a character  
that gives the feeling of a warrior's strength and  
at the same time a primitive creature's femininity."



*Magical necklace  
For travelling between  
different dimensions.*





# The Costumes



When you create the characters, you have to be able to think like a designer too. Just like in real life, the clothes tell something about the one who wears them. It's the first thing our eyes notice.



Elyon



Miriadel

Glanluca (artist):  
"I like the fact that the clothes on the people, who belong to the same world have a common, basic style. The costume I like the most in this story is Elyon's."



Alborn



Royal Guard



# How a scene is created . . .

## Phase 1 concept

**Paola (scriptwriter):**  
"In the script I try creating  
a unique atmosphere for  
each scene . . ."

**Gianluca (artist):**  
"After reading the script  
I do a quick sketch to find  
the right composition for  
the scene, the shape and  
size of the speech bubbles,  
the positions of the characters  
and the framework."

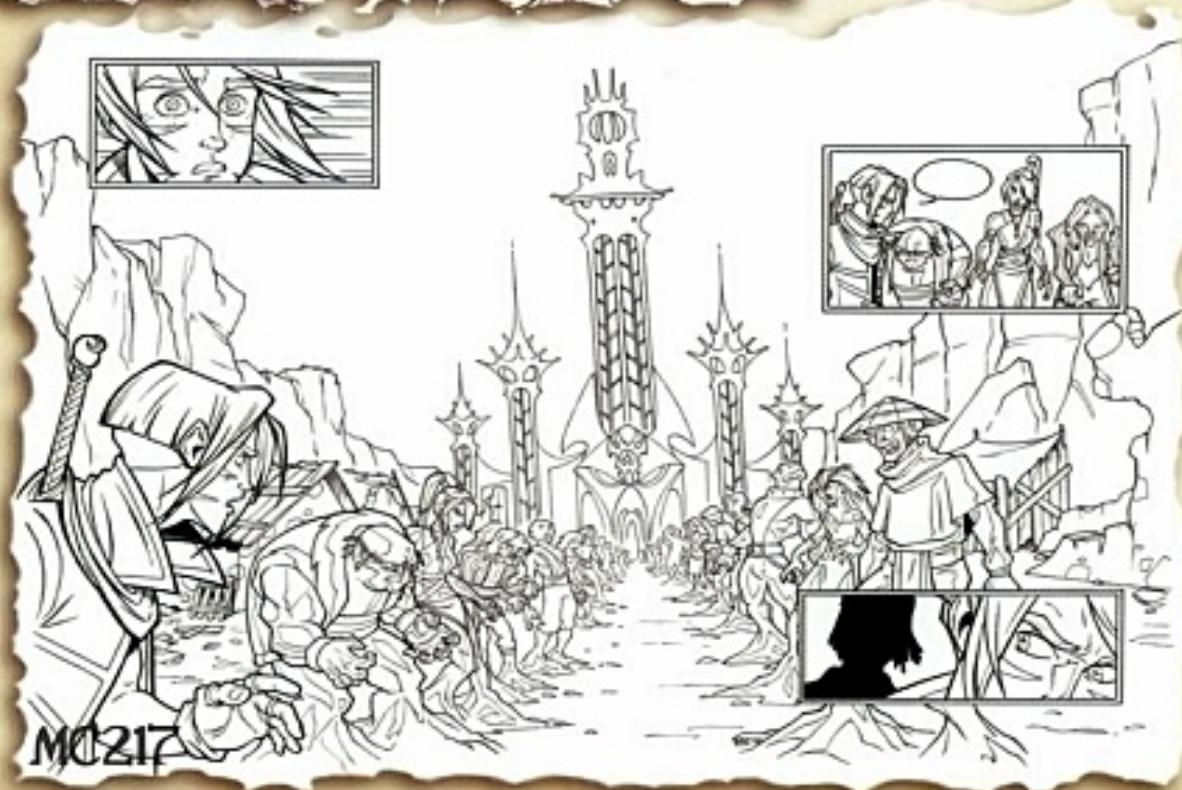


## Phase 2 layout

**Gianluca:** "It's the final sketch  
where I bring out the details."

## Phase 3 pen and ink drawing

**Gianluca:** "The final version of  
the scene that has been drawn is  
now edited with indian ink . . ."



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## Phase 4 basic colors

**Paolo (colorist) :**

"After scanning the scene, I add colors to the characters and the background. The colors have been selected in advance in consultation with the artist. Especially the color of the sky, since that's what's affecting the entire scene's atmosphere and main coloration."

## Phase 5 finishing colors

**Paolo:** "The following steps are based on adding shadows to the characters and the background, and right after that comes the light effects, which make it possible for me to get the characters three dimensional. Everything is in different layers so that it will be easy to change and correct things if needed. To finish things off, I create the dominant atmospheres and special effects like flashes, brightness, energy and light effects which are supposed to bring out and complement the page's 'magic'."



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